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Berlin, December 16. N. S.

ON the 13th the King went to Deſſau, the Seat of the Prince of Anhalt, to take the Diverſion of Hunting. His Majeſty hath appointed Monſieur Slippenbach, his Chamberlain, to go with the Character of Envoy to the Czar, and he is to ſet out in a few Days for Peterſbourg with Monſieur Baſſewitz, Miniſter of Holſtein. Some Letters from Warſaw bring an Account, that King Auguſtus intends to go ſoon to Leipſic, and that he hath ſent Directions to the Electoral Prince his Son to meet him there.

Hamburgh, December 22. N. S. The Number of thoſe that died laſt Week amounts to no more than One hundred and ſixteen. It is ſaid the Court of Pruſſia is very much alarm'd at the March of the Imperial Troops into the Country of Hildeſheim, which is thought to be in order to give Vigour to the Negotiations at Brunſwick. Count Golofkin, the Muſcovite Miniſter at Berlin, is ſaid to have preſented a Memorial to his Pruſſian Majeſty, by Order of his Maſter, deſiring him to Annul the Treaty he had made with the Houſe of Gottorp, as prejudicial to the Alliance of the North, and in particular to the King of Denmark, whom the Czar was reſolv'd not to abandon, in caſe he ſhould be attack'd by the King of Pruſſia; adding, that while this Treaty continued in force, he would not confirm the Agreement made with Prince Menzikoff in relation to Stetin. To which it was anſwer'd, that there was no Intention to break off the good Underſtanding that had been hitherto preſerv'd, and it was hoped would always laſt between the Courts of Berlin and Denmark. The Czar's Miniſter was afterwards in Conference with ſome of thoſe of Pruſſia, in which the latter told him, they were very much ſurpriz'd the King their Maſter ſhould be preſs'd to repeal ſo ſolemn a Treaty, as that he had concluded with the Houſe of Gottorp; that beſides, the Security the Duke of Holſtein had given him for the Mony he had advanced him, was founded upon the Reſtitution of that Dutchy, and upon this account the King was oblig'd to endeavour to effect it. To which the Count replied, that provided his Majeſty would engage not to make any Attempt againſt Denmark, the Czar would be anſwerable for the Payment of his Mony, and, in all probability, the King of Denmark would be ſo too. His Pruſſian Majeſty hath named Monſieur de Slippenbach for his Envoy to the Czar, and it is ſaid his Inſtruction relate to the Ratification of the Treaty concluded with Prince Menzikoff, and to the Pretenſions of the Young Duke of Holſtein to the Succeſſion of Sweden, in caſe that King ſhould happen to die without Iſſue. To encline the Court of Muſcovy more in favour of the Duke, it is alſo reported, that Monſieur Baſſewitz, the Miniſter of Holſten, has a ſecret Inſtruction, to propoſe a Marriage between his Maſter and the Niece of the Czar. The Troops of Holſtein, that came into Pomerania, in order to relieve thoſe of Sweden which took the Oath to the Adminiſtrator, have not yet been admitted into Stetin. The number of regular Forces in Sweden, amount to no more than Fourteen thouſand Men, and they are afraid to employ them againſt the Czar, leaſt the King of Denmark ſhould make a new Irruption into the Kingdom next Spring, but Meaſures are taken for raiſing Thirty thouſand Men to be employ'd againſt the Muſcovites in Finland. Letters from Adrianople of the 17th paſt bring an account, that the Grand Signior had at laſt order'd the renewal of the Treaty of Carlowitz to be publiſh'd, and at the ſame time had ratify'd that lately made with the Czar. The Miniſters of the two Nations were preſent at that Act, and on the 19th they were to be admitted to an Audience. The Grand Signior was to ſet out on the 23d for Conſtantinople, and it was thought the King of Sweden would continue this Winter at Demotica.

Hanover, December 22. N. S. General Bulau, who commanded the Elector's Forces on the Rhine, is returned here, and the Troops are expected very ſoon in this Electorate. Some Days ago the Secretary of Count Schonborn, Plenipotentiary of his Imperial Majeſty, paſs'd through this Place in his way to Brunſwick, where he is going to make Preparations for the Count's Reception. The Winter-Quarters are mark'd out for the Imperial Forces that ſerv'd laſt Campaign on the Upper Rhine, and the Dioceſs of Hildeſheim is aſſign'd to the Regiment of Dragoons of Savoy. Count Vehlen, who commands it, intends to reſide here. Letters from Holſtein bring an account, that a Veſſel laden with Proviſions for Tonningen, came to the Mouth of the River Eyder, and made a Signal, upon which ſome Boats went out from the Town, and receiv'd the Stores ſhe had brought: But the Danes being inform'd of it, diſpatch'd two Frigats that ſeiz'd the Veſſel with her Crew.

Hague, December 26. N. S. The States of Holland and Weſt Frieſland ſeparated on the 23d, after having agreed to take off an hundredth Penny from the Land Tax. Yeſterday the Duke d'Oſſuna and the Marquis de Monteleone, Plenipotentiaries of Spain, arriv'd from Utrecht, and it is ſaid they intend to continue here till the concluſion of the Treaty of Peace depending between his Catholick Majeſty and this State. Monſieur de Seulendat, Miniſter of the King of Denmark, ſet out this Morning for Great Britain. We have receiv'd advice from Franckfort, that the Conferences between Prince Eugene and Mareſchal Villars were to end on the 19th Inſtant, but we don't hear whether they are come to any Agreement.

Windſor, December 13. Her Majeſty has been pleaſed to appoint Charles Whitworth, James Murray, Eſqrs. Sir Joſeph Martin, Kt. and